

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

April 28, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Frederick Whitman Display and Event Building in the Fiscal Year 2023 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies appropriations bill.

The project sponsor for this project is the Feather River Rail Society located at 700 Western Pacific Way, Portola, California 96122. The project itself will take place in the same location at the Western Pacific Railroad Museum at 700 Pacific Way, Portola, CA 96122.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds to serve as a community facility capable of serving as a display building for historical rail equipment, hosting community events, and functioning as a disaster evacuation center. The Whitman Building can cost-effectively answer several long-standing deficiencies for public space in the southern part of California's 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District and help boost the local tourism economy and the profile of the region.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Doug LaMalfa  
Member of Congress